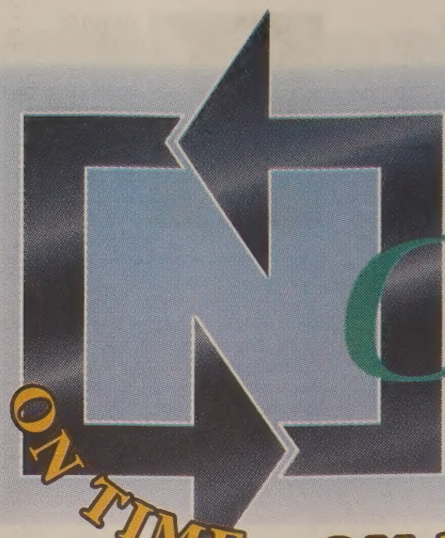




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J. Mark Hand

Curtain up on Showcase of Chefs

The Niagara College Maid of the Mist Centre (MMC) for Hospitality and Tourism is presenting a monthly Showcase of Chefs dinner series beginning Sunday, Oct. 25 through till March 1999.

Niagara College's Chef de Cuisine J. Mark Hand has brought together four of Niagara's finest chefs to prepare a series of delicious four-course dinners in the MMC's full service dining room, the Kerrio Room. Each evening will begin with a reception and wine tasting followed by dinner complemented by wines from Niagara wineries.

Students from the college's culinary and hospitality programs will be working along side each guest chef for a valuable training experience.

The first showcase (October 25) features Michael Olson of On The Twenty restaurant, recognized as one of the finest young chefs in Canada with wines from Cave Spring Cellars.

Three more showcases will follow featuring Virginia Marr, The Pillar and Post; Ralf Bretzighiemer, Prince of Wales and Erik Peacock, Wellington Court Café, with wines from Inniskillin, Reif Estates Winery and Thirty Bench Vineyard.

The crowning event of this popular series will take place on Sunday, March 21 when Hand will join all four chefs for a Gala Event—The Academy Awards of Foods in Niagara. This Oscar night evening will feature all five chefs preparing and presenting a very special menu item. Last year's showcases were sellouts so it's advisable to reserve tickets early. Call 374-7454 x3602.



The Niagara College Maid of the Mist Centre for Hospitality and Tourism is opening its doors on Saturday, Oct. 31 from 11am to 2pm for its annual Community Open House.

The public and prospective students and parents will tour the facility, meet students, staff and faculty and enjoy a variety of demonstrations including cooking, baking and wine appreciation. International students from

around the globe will be on hand displaying costumes and customs from their homelands.

Representatives from the college's culinary management, tourism and hotel and restaurant management programs will be on hand to answer questions concerning these programs and career opportunities.

The centre is located on Dunn Street between Stanley Ave. and Drummond Rd. in Niagara Falls. ☐



PHOTO: JERRY SALFI

The Skill Centre for Motive Power Training opens November 6

Construction of The Skill Centre for Motive Power Training, a new 27,000 sq. ft. automotive facility, is now complete at the Welland campus. The official opening is on Friday, November 6.

The college's automotive programs have been amalgamated into one location from other locations throughout the region. The centre features an automotive shop, autobody shop, fuels lab, power trains shop, engine shop and four classroom/computer lab spaces.

"The quality of our training in the motive power trades has always been excellent and this new centre will provide us with a specially-designed facility and the room to expand automotive programs and services," said Dan Patterson, Niagara College president.

This centre of excellence for a variety of motive power training programs include apprenticeship, adult retraining and post-secondary programs. It also hosts a complete line-up of trades updating courses for licensed automotive and autobody technicians.

To celebrate the opening ceremonies, a group of industry supporters are organizing "Start your Engines", a gala dinner and auction, on November 6, 7 pm, at the centre. In support of programs and equipment, funds will be raised by

auctioning a collection of automotive items, some unique sports memorabilia and more. Tickets are \$50 per person and are available from the Niagara College Foundation Office at x4100.

Students are able to take advantage of state-of-the-art facilities and equipment in computerized engine control, computerized fuel injection, passive seat belt restraints and air-bag technology. The college's partnership with AC Delco for updating technicians will continue at the centre, while certified autobody technicians will be training in aluminium welding, MIG welding and refinishing welding.

In co-operation with ICAR (Inter-industry Conference on Auto Collision Repair), specialized autobody updating courses are held at the new centre. The college is work closely with the ICAR Education Foundation and using the latest curriculum and classroom materials for quality instruction. The Skill Centre is also committed to working closely with area high schools to make the transition from secondary to post-secondary education as successful and seamless as possible.

The building was designed by Piraino + Raimondo Associate Architects Inc. of Niagara Falls, and built by Brouwer Construction (1981) Ltd. of St. Catharines. ☐

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GLENDALE campus opens for 1600 students.

The college's spectacular new \$30 million campus at Glendale opened as scheduled on September 8.

The enthusiastic response from students, faculty and staff has been overwhelming.

"We couldn't be more pleased," says President Dan Patterson. "Building the new campus marks a very historic occasion in the life of Niagara College. Having an outstanding learning environment in all of our campuses, coupled with an outstanding staff, gives our students a special edge in obtaining employment."

See centre spread for story and pictures.

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GLENDALE CAMPUS

Community Open House

Saturday, October 24th 10 am to 3 pm

(see centre spread for photos & story)



BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Niagara College is proud to present the members of the college's Board of Governors for 1998-99. The Board is comprised of 12 external members of the Niagara community and four internal members elected by their peers to represent students, faculty, support staff and administration. As members of the Board, they are responsible for setting the overall direction of the college's activities.

Niagara College is grateful for the many hours of dedicated volunteer service performed by the Board to help ensure that the college continues to build skills and knowledge for the 21st century.



AMY BIGNUCOLO

Amy Bignucolo, from Niagara Falls, is Vice-President of the Quality Inn Fallsview in Niagara Falls. Other positions she has held at the Quality Inn include sales and marketing, and general manager.

Bignucolo is a major champion of the Niagara Region's tourism economic development strategy and has served on many key agencies and committees. She was named Business Woman of the Year in 1996 and was the first woman to receive the Grand Misty Award for Overall Achievement in Tourism in 1990. She is a member of the Provincial/State Bi-National Task Force on Tourism, Niagara Gateway Steering Committee and the Niagara Falls Chamber of Commerce. Previous involvements include being a former president of the Niagara Falls, Canada Visitor and Convention Bureau, a member of the Winter Festival of Lights Committee, Niagara Falls Economic Development Agency and the Social Planning Council, among others. Bignucolo started her career as a teacher and she has taught in the Niagara Region.



PEGGY DAVIDSON

Peggy Davidson received her MBA from Queens University and a BA from the University of Western Ontario. She is currently Manager, Business Banking Services at the Toronto-Dominion Bank in St. Catharines. Her former roles include Manager, International Trade Services and Manager, Commercial Services. She currently serves as Treasurer of the St. Catharines Business Club.

Davidson, who is also fluent in the French language, lives in St. Catharines.



DAVID DI MARTILE

David Di Martile, Regional Personnel Director of the General Motors Company of Canada in St. Catharines, received his Bachelor of Industrial Administration from the General Motors Institute.

A champion in the community with previous involvements on the Industrial Accident and Prevention Association and the Windsor Chamber of Commerce, Di Martile has been instrumental in developing one of the most successful partnerships in the Ontario college system involving five other colleges, the University of Waterloo, a national manufacturing association, and General Motors.

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MICHAEL DUFFY

Mike Duffy is a founding principal of Niagara Under Glass, Niagara's newest agri-tourism attraction and one of the largest floral greenhouses in the Niagara Peninsula. He formerly led NET Corp., the economic development and tourism agency for the Regional Municipality of Niagara.

Before the creation of NET Corp., he was the general manager of the Niagara Region Development Corporation from 1990-1995. Mike, a certified economic developer and a professional engineer, has initiated and fostered strong partnerships within Niagara's tourism, manufacturing, horticulture and agri-business sectors.

After graduating from Carleton University with a Bachelor of Civil Engineering, he spent 19 years with Stelco Inc. in the role of design engineer and project engineer for capital projects; property manager for the company's surplus and development properties; and developer and marketer of the company's 2500 acre Industrial Park.

Mike currently is Vice-Chair of the Board of Governors of Niagara College.



TOM GAULD

Tom Gauld was elected as Chairman of the Board of Governors for Niagara College of Applied Arts and Technology for the 1998-99 term. He has served as a Member of the Board of Governors since 1996.

Gauld is the President of Canadian Tire Acceptance Ltd. (CTAL) in Welland, Ontario. CTAL, the financial services subsidiary of Canadian Tire Corporation, markets a variety of credit card, insurance, telecom, and roadside assistance services to Canadian Tire customers.

He has an extensive international business background including a variety of senior executive and marketing roles in Canada, Europe, Chile, the United States, and South Africa. He has worked for well known companies including Unilever, Bristol Myers, Smith Kline Beecham and Spalding Sports.

Mr. Gauld is a graduate of the University of Windsor and lives in Niagara-on-the-Lake.



MOLLY HARDING

Molly Harding, a new board member, attained O and A levels of education at St. Dominic's Convent in England, as well as, a national Certificate in Metallurgical Engineering at Stoke

Technical College in England. She has held the positions of Women's Editor and Special Sections Editor during a total of 25 years with The St. Catharines Standard daily newspaper. In the early '80s she was an investigative reporter for the Johannesburg Star, South Africa.

She was the former editor of What's Up Niagara magazine and the Niagara Business Report and director of Silvan Learning Centres of the Niagara Peninsula. Harding brings a special sensitivity and skill which will help the College in being invitational, accessible and a community of learners.

She has shown strong support for entrepreneurship development through her extensive involvement in establishing learning centres and as a former executive director of the Junior Achievement Program in Niagara.



BRIAN MERRETT

Brian Merrett, a new board member is Chairman of the Niagara Parks Commission, a leader in the tourism and hospitality industry in the Niagara Region. Prior to this appointment,

he was chair of the Regional Municipality of Niagara for seven years. His contributions will reinforce Niagara College's ability to foster and develop partnerships with all economic sectors which are critical to the future prosperity of the Region. His experience in municipal government and the private sector provides a further dimension to the services offered by Niagara College. Given the broad-based nature of Merrett's political and industry experience, he will continue to provide quality advocacy and support the role of Niagara College to all constituent groups.

As the former regional chair which commissioned a major study, "Niagara Renewed—An Economic Framework for our Future", Merrett has made a life-long commitment to supporting the industries, communities, and economic development priorities which will ensure the Region's success.



IAN MILNE

Ian Milne, a new board member is vice-president, Corporate Investments at Acres International Limited in Niagara Falls. He received a Bachelor of Science in Engineering at Aberdeen University in Scotland. Having served more than 30 years at Acres, Milne has gained extensive experience in many facets of domestic and international engineering. He also has an extensive background of work experience in the international arena including project procurement and management, technical assistance, as well as establishing international business linkages with corporate partners in developing countries.

As a member of Dean's Council for Brock Business Faculty, Milne has served as director and chairman of the Niagara Region Development Corporation, chairman of committees within the Association of Consulting Engineers of Canada, and campaign chairman of Professional Group for United Way.



DAVID MISKOLCZI

David is beginning his second term as a board member.

Miskolczi is a graduate of Notre Dame College School in Welland and has studied in a number of courses related to

health and safety and labour topics through the Labour Studies Program at Niagara College and at other labour organizations.

He is employed with Fleet Aerospace Corporation as an Aircraft Assembly Fitter and is also chairperson, Health and Safety, for the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers, Lodge 171. In addition, he has instructed in the areas of health and safety. Miskolczi also holds the position of Education Director for the Ontario Provincial Council of Machinists.



WILLIAM MUNROE

William Munroe is the elected representative of the Academic Staff at Niagara College.

He has been a Professor at the College since 1968. Munroe received a BA in Geography and English

at Waterloo University College and a MEd in Instructional Techniques at SUNY at Buffalo.

Munroe contributed in the concept, development and evolution of the Human Relations Program in both roles of Co-ordinator and Instructor. He has developed an effective and extensive "Tool-Kit" approach to classroom learning experiences and is currently developing a "just in time" approach to paperwork to generate a paperless environment both in the classroom and in the instructor's office. He has served as member of the Ontario College of Teachers and on the Ontario Association for Geographic and Environmental Education.



JON OGRYZLO

Jon Ogryzlo is the elected representative of Administrative Staff and has been a member of the board since 1996.

Ogryzlo has a BA from McMaster University and is Director of the Environment,

Horticulture and Agribusiness Division which includes the School of Environmental Studies, the School of Horticulture and Agribusiness Studies, and The Centre for Environmental Training. He joined the college in 1980 as a training consultant and has held positions as development officer, manager of Planning, Research and Development and as general manager of the Centre for Environmental Training.

Ogryzlo serves on a number of committees in the community and beyond as treasurer of the Canadian Council for Human Resources in Environment and as trustee with the Ontario Environmental Training Consortium. He is also a member of the Recycling Council of Ontario and the St. Catharines Chamber of Commerce Environment Committee. In the past, he served as director on the Board of the United Way of South Niagara, as chair of the Green Communities Niagara Steering Committee, and as chair of the Taste of Niagara Standards Committee.



PIA SANDSTRÖM ARNDS

Pia Sandström Arnds is a graduate of the University of Northern Sweden, Umeå, Sweden and has a Degree in Medical Technology, Specialization in Clinical Physiology.

She is Executive Vice-President and Technical Adviser of Sandström Trade and Technology Inc. in Welland, a small, entrepreneurial company specializing in niche-oriented medical devices used within medical imaging, cancer therapy and neurosurgery.

Sandström Arnds has served as judge for Niagara Enterprise Entrepreneur Awards in Science & Technology and Export categories and as judge for International Science and Engineering Fair in Health and Medicine category. She serves as Industry Liaison member on the Brock University Dean's Council and as support member of the Canadian Association of Women in Science, Brock University Chapter.



DEBORAH ANNE SEVENPIPHER

Deborah Anne Sevenpiper is a new board member. She is Vice-President, Corporate and Support Services, at the Welland County General Hospital, received

a BA in Accounting from Brock University, a C.A. designation, and a C.H.E. (Canadian Health Executive) designation. She completed a two-year Health Services Management through the Canadian Hospital Association.

In her role as vice-president, Sevenpiper has introduced many significant and timely strategies to respond to the fiscal constraints faced by the hospital, and has experience in managing a large multifaceted public organization which would provide additional expertise and an external perspective on the institutional challenges which the College must address in the area of finance. Sevenpiper has served on the Ontario Hospital Association Benefits Advisory Committee, the District Health Council's French Language Advisory Committee, the Kids World Daycare Board of Directors, and the Welland United Way Campaign Cabinet.



JOAN WARBIS

Joan Warbis is the elected representative of the Support Staff at the college.

Warbis, a Development Officer within the Ventures Division of the college, is a graduate of Niagara College. She joined

the college in 1980 and has held positions in Continuing Education, Contract Training, and Access and Student Success.

Warbis is a member of the Board of Directors of Ride Niagara. She was a founding member of the Niagara College Aboriginal Education Management Circle and a union steward for support staff. Other former volunteer commitments include serving on the Board of the Welland Historical Museum, Literacy Link Niagara Advisory Committee and the Career Planning Service. She was also a founding member of the Discovery Program Business Advisory Board, a partnership between the college and the Ontario March of Dimes.



DONALD WOODRUFF

Donald Woodruff is the elected representative of the Students at the College.

He graduated from Niagara College's Retail Management Program and is currently a third-year student in

the college's Business Administration - Operations Management

Co-op Program. Woodruff has served as program representative, student representative, executive vice-president and president of the Niagara College Student Administrative Council. He is serving a co-op work term at Country Cravings. He is also the assistant manager of Petro Canada: St Davids Auto Service Centre.

Woodruff's volunteer work includes serving as southwestern regional vice-president for the Ontario Community College Student Parliamentary Association, director of Niagara College's Shinerama: National Campaign for CCFF (Canadian Cystic Fibrosis Foundation), and swimming coach for the Niagara-on-the-Lake Recreation Department.



DAN PATTERSON

Dan Patterson became president of Niagara College in December 1995. Prior to his appointment, he was Vice-president, Ventures since 1991 and was responsible for the design, devel-

opment and implementation of the Ventures division involving the delivery of a full range of programs and services from basic workplace literacy to advanced technical training. Prior to coming to the college, Patterson was director of the Partnership and Training Support Services Branch at the Ministry of Skills Development and he has held positions with the Federal Department of Indian Affairs. His community involvements include serving as a co-chair of the Niagara Gateway Project and on boards: Vision Niagara Inc., St. Catharines Chamber of Commerce, and the Niagara Information Technology Management Board of the Niagara Peninsula Industry Education Council (NPIEC).



HANS VAN DER SLAGT

Van der Slagt has been with the college since 1979, initially as dean of Business. He began his career in the college system with Sir Sandford Fleming College, and also has valuable experience in the health field with Peterborough Civic Hospital and as a senior auditor with Price

Waterhouse in Toronto.



HÉLÈNE MOSCATO

Employed in the President's Office since 1984, Moscato was recently appointed Board secretary. A graduate of Niagara College's first convocation in June 1968, her work experience includes positions at a law firm, the Worker's Compensation Board and in private industry.



NIAGARA COLLEGE



Bea and John Clark with Bruna Buonocore and Dan Patterson

Niagara College believes

it is important to honour excellence and acknowledge employees who support college goals and enrich college life. These individuals exemplify outstanding characteristics in the areas of personal qualities, work performance and customer service. Excellence influences a learning environment that promotes the development of human potential.

Annual awards for excellence are presented for the three employee groups at the college's annual Niagara Day event. Award winners have been nominated by their peers.

Recipients for 1998 were:

- **FACULTY**— John Clark, Communications and Information Technology Division
- **SUPPORT STAFF**— Bruna Buonocore, Business and Entrepreneurship Division
- **ADMINISTRATION**— Bea Clark, Ventures - Employment and Training Services Division

John Clark, Faculty, Communications and Information Technology Division

When John Clark began his career at the college, in 1974, he did not anticipate that he would still be teaching here twenty-four years later. Fortunately, Clark's keen interest and understanding of modern technology, as well as his love of teaching, enabled him to recognize the importance of contributing to students' educational future. Throughout the years, Clark's commitment of time and energy towards students' learning needs have made him a role model to the teaching profession.

Bruna Buonocore, Support Staff, Business and Entrepreneurship Division

Bruna Buonocore started at Niagara College in 1977. She was looking for a challenging career that would provide her with a wide range of responsibilities and a sense of accomplishment; she found both in dealing with young students on a daily basis. After receiving this year's award of excellence, Buonocore stated

that she was "both happy and surprised at the vote of confidence that her peers have shown her." Her hard work and dedicated service throughout the years have made her an inspiration to all.

Bea Clark, Administration, Ventures—Employment and Training Services Division

Bea Clark has been working at Niagara College for over 21 years. She started her career as a clerk in the accounting department, moved on to development officer of Continuing Education, then to manager of the TIBI and OSDO programs and, finally, to director of the Ventures - Employment and Training Services division. A model of devotion and self-fulfilment, Bea is highly respected by her peers for her ability to provide and create a variety of services that meet the requirements of any organization.

[Editor's note: Isn't it great that Bea and John Clark receive this great honour together?] ☐

Introducing Martha Casson Vice President at Niagara College



Martha Casson, vice-president, Enterprise and Service Development started her new position at Niagara College on Feb. 2. She was selected from 128 applicants from across Canada, the United States and Europe. Casson is responsible for the following areas: customized training and employer-based services, continuing education, international education, enrolment and registration services, student services in support of access and success, and business services in support of corporate planning, marketing and development.

Casson comes to Niagara from Humber College where she was the Dean of Administrative Services and the Registrar. Humber has a student population of 13,000 full-time and 65,000 part-time students at two campuses. Niagara College has 5,000 full-time students, another 1,500 in skills upgrading and contract training programs, and about 18,000 registrations in continuing education courses annually.

Casson also headed up a year-long International Development initiative that developed contracts and institutional linkages for Humber College in 11 countries. Over the past 15 years, she has worked with government and educational institutions in 21 countries.

Casson joined Humber College in 1978 and held a number of positions in the Student Services area: dean of Registrarial Services, registrar, and director of Placement and Financial Aid. As dean of Administrative Services, Casson was responsible for enrolment and revenue projections, program development activities, fee policy management and a corporate role in the management of Continuing Education. She also developed linkage programs with Boards of Education that facilitated the entry of dis-

advantaged youth into college programs.

Casson has been very active on the international scene. She was the college representative on a 30-member trade mission to South America organized by the Ontario International Development Corporation under the Ministry of Economic Development, Trade and Tourism.

In partnership with Niagara College and with overseas partners from South Africa, Swaziland, Botswana and Lesotho, Casson was part of the team that developed and managed a four-year human resources development program for the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA).

Casson is active with a number of professional associations: Canadian Bureau for International Education, Ontario Colleges International, The Association for Women in Development and the Association of Registrars of the Universities and Colleges of Canada. She has served as national president of the University and College Placement Association (UCPA), a 600 member organization of college and university staff and human resource professionals. She also held various roles as committee chair for several organizations dedicated to

career development for youth and adults including the John Howard Society, Toronto Women's Help Centre and the Youth Employment Centre of Toronto.

Her career started with the Federal Department of Employment and Immigration as a Canada Employment Centre (CEC) manager at Ryerson Polytechnic Institute until she left to join Humber College.

Casson's educational background includes a bachelor of science degree from the University of Guelph and training in personnel management and educational information systems. She has taught courses in organizational management, personnel management and career planning for women.

Since joining the college this past February, Martha has been busy making her mark on the Niagara Region. She is chair of both the College's Enrolment Strategies Team and International Development Committees. Martha has also been appointed to the board of the Ontario Tourism Education Council (OTEC) and along with spearheading the college's international program, she has taken on the role of co-chair of NET Corp's Trade Team Niagara. ☐

1998 Service Awards

Every year, Niagara College proudly recognizes the commitment, loyalty, and dedicated service of its long-time staff members. This year, 31 Service Awards were presented to all 10 year, 20 year, 25 year, and 30 year employees at the annual Niagara Day breakfast. Recipients were:

10 Years

Danielle Brown
Sam DiMartino
Ronald Patrick
Margaret Rainville
Wayne Sadlak

20 Years

Vince DiLeo
Alan Munro
Angela North
Judy Ventresca

25 Years

Tom Ball
Donna Conradi
Betty Lou DiMattio
Gary Guzza
Susan Hall
Heather Hewitt
Evelyn Kita
Beverly Langley
Bonnie Martyn
Ruth Oppertshauser
Jerry Salfi
Isabelle Seburn
Linda Wichert

30 Years

Marlene Cain
Mike Collins
Ken Cosgrove
Garry Curnock
Gordon McPherson
Bill Munroe
Peter Sullivan
Wayne Triano
Carl Yeager

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Niagara College graduates are discovering a multitude of employment opportunities directly related to their academic knowledge and practical skills. Here are a few of the thousands of success stories about graduates who, over the years, have made their mark in their chosen professions.

Carol Alaimo
REPORTER,
ST. CATHARINES STANDARD

Carol Alaimo of St. Catharines is a role model to the profession of journalism, to her community and the Region of Niagara. When Alaimo enrolled in the Journalism - Print program at Niagara College as a mature student in 1982, she faced many challenges. She was 27 years old and raising two small children on her own. Student loans and summer waitressing jobs helped her support her family while she attended the college.

Since graduating in 1984, Alaimo has established herself as a respected journalist and earned a constant stream of national awards and fellowships. In 1989, she won her first Western Ontario Newspaper Association Award (WONA), and went on to become its first-ever, three-time winner after receiving it again in 1992 and 1993. Her series on the St. Catharines Hydro-Electric Commission also earned the Standard a nomination for the 1993 Michener Award. According to the Michener Foundation, it is the equivalent to the American Pulitzer gold medal for journalism, and takes into account the degree of public benefit generated by a story.

Alaimo received the Premier's Award in 1995 recognizing excellence in graduates of Ontario's Colleges of Applied Arts and Technology. Nominated by Niagara College, Alaimo perfectly fit the criteria as someone who has made an important contribution to society, a real commitment to others and who has experienced substantial career success.

George Bailey
DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS,
NIAGARA PARKS COMMISSION

George Bailey graduated from the Communication Arts-Journalism, Public Relations and Advertising program at Niagara College in 1970. For the past 17 years he has worked for the Niagara Parks Commission as director of Communi-

cations. His responsibilities include public relations, advertising and group sales.

Bailey serves as the commission's photographer and many of his photos have been printed in Niagara Parks Commission's publications. He has published a full colour history on Niagara entitled the Magic of Niagara, along with two other books.

Bailey has been awarded the local tourist association's Misty Award twice for service. He received the overall Grand Misty Award in 1983 for his leadership in helping to establish the Winter Festival of Lights in Niagara Falls, Canada, and again in 1997 for overall service and dedication to the tourist industry in Niagara Falls.

Christopher Bessette
DIRECTOR, PRODUCER,
CO-FOUNDER ENGAGE ENTERTAINMENT

Christopher Bessette graduated from the BRTF program at Niagara College in 1984. He filmed his first award winning documentary, *Long Point: A Diamond In the Rough*, in 1985 and went on to work as producer and director for Crossroads and Fabulicious Day.

In 1996, Bessette co-founded Engage Entertainment - a local film company - with producer, Greg Pharaoh. The pair recently spent two years completing a \$250,000 historical documentary that examines the "timeless and ever-changing" Niagara Falls. *Niagara: Thunder of the Water* premiered at the Sheraton Fallsview Hotel and Conference Centre as part of the 1998 Niagara Film Festival.

Since the release of *Niagara: Thunder of the Water*, Bessette has started filming portions of a new 30-minute drama called *Apples From Eden*; a touching story that examines the plight of a homeless woman.

David Bessey
DIRECTOR AND OFFICER OF MARACAY
HOMES, SCOTTSDALE ARIZONA

David Bessey graduated from the Construction Engineering Technology - Architecture program in 1972. Bessey was an outstanding student while at the college and since graduation has advanced steadily in the construction field. He is now the director and officer of his own company in Arizona.

Prior to his move south, Bessey's company was responsible for the construction of several large hotel complexes throughout the Niagara peninsula.

While working in the Niagara region, Bessey kept close ties with the college as a member of the Construction Engineering Advisory Committee and was appointed to the College Board of Governors in 1985. He served as chairperson on several Board committees and was the Chair of the Board in 1991.



Jennifer Delorey
PROGRAMMING
COUNSELOR,
DISNEY
CRUISESHIP

Jennifer Delorey graduated from the Tourism - Tours and Attractions (Co-op) Bilingual program in 1996. She im-

mediately went to work at Epcot Center, Walt Disney World in Florida. After 14 months at Epcot Center, she spent four months working for Norwegian Cruise Lines. Delorey has returned to Disney and is a Programming Counselor on Disney's first cruise ship, Disney Magic. She is one of 50 counselors who facilitate activities for children on a ship built for family entertainment. It has almost a full deck dedicated to children. After being chosen from more than 1,000 people interviewed for the position, Delorey spent two months training in Orlando and then joined the ship in Venice, Italy. She will be spending her working hours sailing from Port Canaveral to Disney's own private Bahamian island. Bon Voyage!



Gay Douglas
EXECUTIVE
DIRECTOR,
LITERACY LINK
NIAGARA

After 15 years of working in a

pharmacy, Gay Douglas came to Niagara College to prepare for a career change. She graduated from the college's Social Service Worker program in 1989, and has been involved with a number of community organizations both at the staff level and as a volunteer.

Douglas is the executive director of Literacy Link Niagara, in St. Catharines. She co-ordinates the regional network of adult literacy providers, and provides leadership in community planning and training.

Following graduation, Douglas' career included positions as executive director, The Kidney Foundation of Canada, Niagara District Chapter, St. Catharines; director of fundraising and project development, Recycling Council of Ontario, Toronto; and development manager, Big Sisters Association of Ontario, Toronto.

Douglas is involved in many community service organizations. The Patient Services Committee, The Kidney Foundation of Canada; board member Alpha Ontario, Toronto; Rotary Medalist and Youth Exchange Committees, Rotary Club of St. Catharines South; Big Sisters of Welland, Port Colborne and Pelham.



Mark Landry
EXECUTIVE VICE-
PRESIDENT AND
CEO OF
CHESBROUGH-
POND'S USA

Mark gradu-

ated from the Business Administration - Accounting program in 1977 and earned his Certified Management Accountant (CMA) designation in 1979.

Landry's career started with positions at consumer products and manufacturing companies. In 1981, he joined Unilever as a management accountant in its Oil Milling Division and then moved to positions as controller, and logistics and supply manager. When this division closed in 1984, he moved to Lever Brothers on special projects and quickly assumed responsibility for structuring a fully integrated Logistics Department and managing it.

At 29 years of age, Landry joined Chesebrough-Pond's in Canada and became vice-president of Commercial. He joined the corporate office of Unilever PLC, based at Unilever House, Blackfriars in London as commercial member in 1990. This was followed by three years in Paris as commercial executive.

Landry became vice-president Supply Chain and chief financial officer of Chesebrough-Pond's in 1994 and assumed his present position in July 1996.

Donna McDowell
INSPECTOR, NIAGARA REGIONAL POLICE

It's been over two decades since Donna graduated from the Law and Security program at Niagara College. Upon graduation, McDowell found work as a constable doing uniform street patrols and then plainclothes detective work in the youth office and drug enforcement. She was promoted to sergeant and spent several years in general detective work, public complaints and in the department's training and planning division.

McDowell became a sought-after undercover officer who often worked on special assignment with other police departments. In 1996, she was appointed the first and only senior female officer to serve in the Niagara Regional Police department. She now oversees approximately 100 patrol officers and detectives and occasionally fills in as divisional commander looking after policing across northern Niagara.

Grant McPherson
EXECUTIVE CHEF, RAFFLES HOTEL
SINGAPORE

Grant graduated from the Culinary Skills program at Niagara College in 1983. Today, he is classed among the world's best chefs.

Following graduation, Grant began work at the Chateau Laurier Hotel in Ottawa. His skills soon took him to the Four Seasons Hotel in Vancouver, which led him to his first overseas experience - a transfer to the Four Seasons Hotel in London, England. McPherson also spent time working in Hawaii, France and Australia before opening the Regent Hotel in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

In October, 1993, McPherson won a gold medal at the Culinary Olympics which is held every four years in Frankfurt, Germany.

Today, McPherson is the executive chef at the Raffles Hotel - Singapore's largest hotel - and is responsible for about 180 chefs.



Anne Mroczkowski
NEWS ANCHOR,
CITY PULSE

Mroczkowski is a 1975 graduate of the BRTF program at Niagara College and currently the news anchor at CITY Pulse at Six.

Life at CITY-TV began in 1978 for Mroczkowski when she left her job as a writer at Global TV. Once at CITY, she climbed the corporate ladder in traditional style. She began work as an ad writer and then moved on to re-

porter, weekend anchor, late-night anchor, before her current assignment.



Elizabeth Porter
NATIVE COURT
WORKER,
PROGRAM
DEVELOPER,
ONTARIO
FEDERATION
OF INDIAN
FRIENDSHIP
CENTRES

Elizabeth is a graduate of Niagara College's Legal Assistant (Co-op) program. She went on to graduate from the Native Pre-Law program at the University of Saskatchewan, Saskatchewan, and then to law school at the University of Windsor.

Upon graduating from the University of Windsor, in 1995, Porter articulated at a law firm in Windsor while working for a local Indian Friendship Centre as a court worker. Porter was called to the bar in February 1998.

Her future goal is to open and run a legal aid clinic on a reserve to provide criminal and family services to Native individuals who are not eligible to receive assistance, and who cannot afford to hire a lawyer.

Sharon Titian
MISSIONARY, MISSIONS INTERNATIONAL

After graduating from the Social Service Worker program at Niagara College, Sharon worked for many years in a group home in Thorold prior to moving to Africa to teach functional literacy.

In 1990, Titian discovered the slavery and sexual abuse of girls and young women by tribal priests in the remote parts of West Africa. As a result, she quit her job and established a small mission in the village of Adidome, on the banks of the Volta River.

Today, Titian's goals are to help victimized Ghanaian girls overcome their fears of domination by tribal priests and teach them how to cope in their society. She runs her centre, Missions International, with the help of friends, family members, and volunteer workers.



Debbie Zimmerman
REGIONAL
CHAIR,
REGIONAL
MUNICIPALITY
OF NIAGARA

Zimmerman, newly elected regional chair, Regional Municipality of Niagara, graduated from the Journalism - Print program in 1975.

From 1978 to 1989, Zimmerman was elected to four terms to Municipal Council for the Town of Grimsby, serving in many capacities such as deputy mayor and chair, Recreation and Parks.

From 1989 to 1997, Zimmerman was elected three times to Regional Council. She has served as: vice-chair of Finance; Planning Committee; 911 Committee chair; chair, Regional Development Charges; Audit Committee; chair, Grimsby Welcome Centre Committee; and director, West Lincoln Hospital Board. In addition, Zimmerman has served on the Niagara Escarpment Commission. ☐

~ Showcase of Chefs ~

Spend an evening with Niagara Region's finest culinary talents and enjoy their exquisite, locally-inspired creations.

Michael Olson OCT. 25, 1998

of On The Twenty, Jordan

Niagara's first winery restaurant featuring the now famous cuisine of Michael Olson who has been called everything from "father of Niagara cuisine" to "one of the finest young chefs in Canada."

Virginia Marr NOV. 29, 1998

of the Pillar and Post, Niagara-on-the-Lake

The commitment to locally grown produce and VQA wines emanates throughout Virginia's innovative cuisine.

Ralf Bretzinger JAN. 17, 1999

of the Prince of Wales Hotel, Niagara-on-the-Lake

Executive chef, Ralf Bretzinger's cuisine is influenced by both the European and Oriental style of cooking, supplemented with the fresh produce and local wines of the Niagara region.

Erik Peacock FEB. 28, 1999

of Wellington Court Cafe, St. Catharines

Erik is a wonderful young chef whose experimental cutting edge "fusion style" is a breath of fresh air in the Niagara Peninsula.

Each evening begins with a wine tasting reception at 6 p.m.
\$40.00 per person (plus taxes and gratuities).

Funds raised directly benefit the students in programs at the Niagara College Maid of the Mist Centre for Hospitality and Tourism.

GALA EVENT

The Second Annual Academy Awards of Food in Niagara
Sunday, March 21, 1999

Enjoy a five-course dinner prepared by all of the above chefs as well as Niagara College's very own J. Mark Hand and celebrate Oscar night in style.

\$80.00 per person (plus taxes and gratuities).

Niagara College Maid of the Mist Centre for Hospitality & Tourism
(905) 374-7454 ext. 3602 Fax: (905) 374-1116



Rudy Hollemans, technician/instructor, Microelectronics Manufacturing (Post-graduate) program puts the finishing touches on a Zevatech pick and place machine that positions electronic components onto circuit boards. The machine is part of the college's new microelectronics lab located in the Voyageur Building of the Welland Campus.

New Microelectronics Lab

Technology is in a state of constant change. To address this change and the extraordinary demand for Niagara College graduates in this growing sector, college faculty have designed a new teaching facility and curriculum to meet the hi-tech requirements of many Niagara area businesses. The new 4,000 sq. ft. lab, at the Welland campus, offers students the ideal environment for learning. It has been designed to emulate the actual manufacturing process and to give hands-on experience in microcircuit manufacturing and advanced electronic packaging techniques.

Microelectronics is the major force driving electronic and knowledge-based markets. It is vital that those employed in the industry remain up-to-date on the latest developments. To maintain our edge on these developments, the Microelectronics Manufacturing (Post-graduate) program has become a member of IPC, the Institute of Interconnecting and Packaging Electronic Circuits. IPC is a U.S. based trade association that creates quality and design standards for the electronics

manufacturing industry, working alone or jointly with other industry associations. These standards are widely accepted and used throughout the world.

Staff and students from the program attended the International Microelectronics and Packaging (IMAPS) annual conference in Philadelphia last year and won the Best Exhibit award for participating schools. Their booth displayed what the college's microelectronics program is about and consisted of a CD-ROM created by the group. IMAPS is an international conference attracting about 2,000 participants from companies and organizations all over the world which display their new technology and specialized equipment. Niagara College was the only Canadian school represented.

The Microelectronics Manufacturing (Post-graduate) is a two-term program starting in January at the Welland campus. It is of interest to college technology diploma or university engineering degree graduates in related technical fields such as electronics, chemistry, mechanical, physics or computers. ☐

INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES Increasing at Niagara College



by Jos Nolle,
Director
International
Education
& Development

The International Education offices in S102 at the Welland campus buzz with activity throughout the entire year, and each year Niagara College continues to build a reputation in the international education market. Despite currency crises in Asia and other parts of the world, more and more international students are choosing our programs. In September 1997 we had just over 50 international students in our post-secondary and post-diploma programs, and this year we have almost 70 from around the world.

The International Education Department offers an excellent English as a Second Language program (ESL), which is designed to meet a variety of needs. Following ESL, some international students begin a career path towards college or university, and others use their English skills to gain employment. On average we have around 40 students from 10 to 15 different countries forming small United Nations classes with their fellow students. Canadian students volunteer as conversation partners and spend one or two hours every week with one or more of the international students. Canadian students can learn about the world in this way, and for our international students it is a wonderful way to practice their English and learn more about Canadian culture.

During July and August we offer additional shorter programs for students from around the world. With these students and the other ESL students, we undertake some typical Canadian summer activities, such as camping (for most Asian students the first time in their life), going to a cottage, biking and hiking.

The International Office is also co-ordinating educational development projects around the world. We are involved at this moment in 15 different countries including Argentina, China, Chile, Colombia, Cuba, Egypt, India, Indonesia, Jordan, Hungary, Mexico, Palestine, South Africa, Spain and Thailand. Funding for these projects comes from the Canadian Government via the ACCC (Association of Canadian Community Colleges) and CIDA (Canadian International Development Agency), or from International Funding Agencies such as the Worldbank, Asia Development Bank or the Inter American Development Bank. The work ranges from technical assistance in the development of specific curriculum, to training programs in

*I thought you said
"No more hills!"*

Niagara Falls, St. Catharines or Welland. Students and faculty from different divisions get involved, and this offers another

Niagara Falls. In Egypt we acted as consultants for working groups between industry and education in their attempt to work closer



If you go into the woods today...

way of professional development with a global perspective.

In Jordan we are assisting staff at a college with upgrading their curriculum for a water treatment program. In India we have assisted in the start of a new Centre for Environmental Training. We train Hotel and Restaurant managers from Cuba, who need to upgrade their English while at the same time expand their skills required in their industry. In Argentina we assisted a brand new college near the famous Iguazu waterfalls to open a training facility similar to our campus in

together. We trained a group of 18 Indonesian principals from vocational high schools with a focus on programs in tourism and hospitality.

Students from our International Trade program assist regional companies with market research and networking activities in countries such as Chile and Mexico. And the list goes on.

Feel free to visit our offices to learn more about our international operations. The coffee is always ready and there are students from around the world to meet. ☐

Community Open House

Maid of the Mist Centre for Hospitality & Tourism
5881 Dunn St., Niagara Falls, ON
(between Stanley Ave. and Drummond Rd.)

SATURDAY October 31 11 am - 2 pm

- Culinary Skills baking demonstration
- Cooking demonstrations
- Breadcraft baking demonstration
- "Soup's On" cooking demonstration
- Tourism program
- Food tasting
- Hotel & Restaurant Management program
- Wine appreciation
- Casino dealer training
- International displays
- Door prizes

Admissions & Financial Aid, Continuing Education, Registrar, Co-op Services, Counselling/Health Services, Student Council reps will be on hand for questions.

Find out about programs starting in January and September 1999!



NIAGARA COLLEGE

For more information, call Ext. 3627 or 3640
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April '95— (L-R) Bernard Baril, former Chair, Board of Governors; Rick Bassett, Chair, Board of Governors; Ian Hennessy, Chair, Board of Governors; Dan Patterson, President



April '95— (L-R) Carol Boettcher, V.P., Student Services; Hans van der Slagt, V.P., Administration; Rick Bassett, Chair, Board of Governors; Dan Patterson, President; Bonnie Rose, V.P., Academic

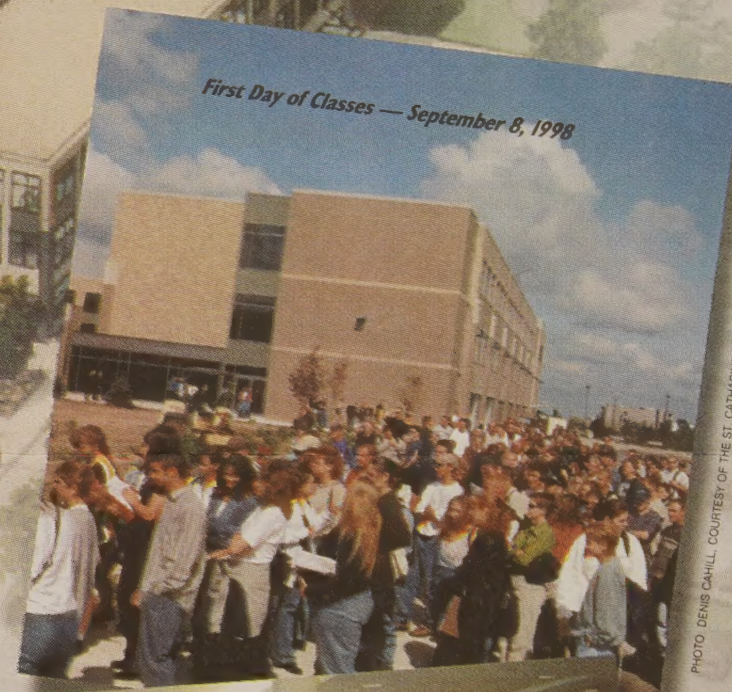
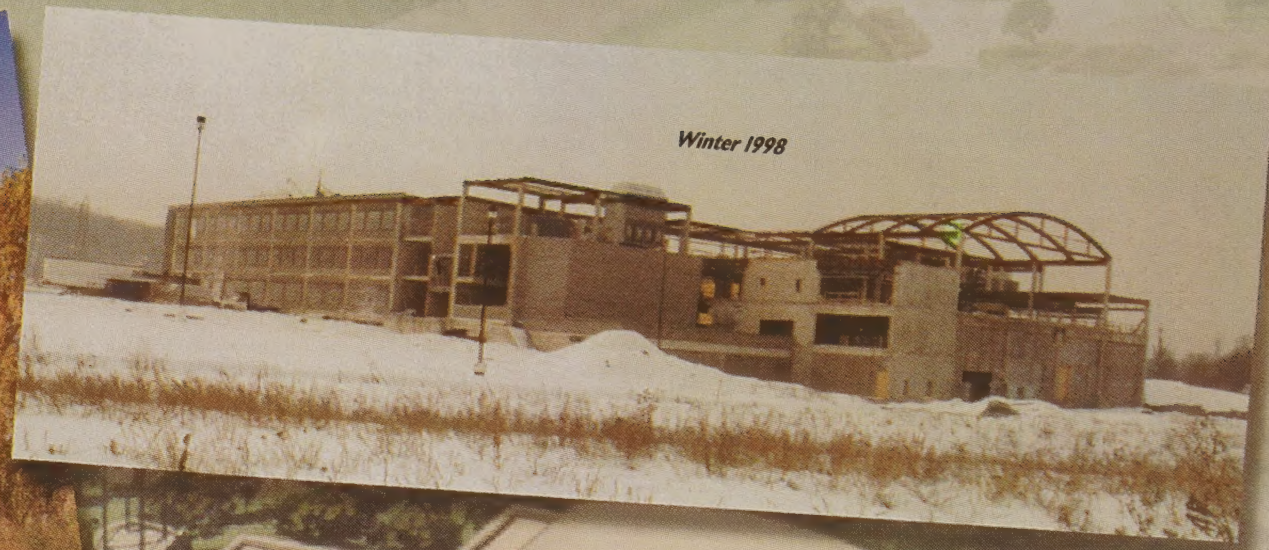


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WE MADE IT!

Glendale Campus Community Open House

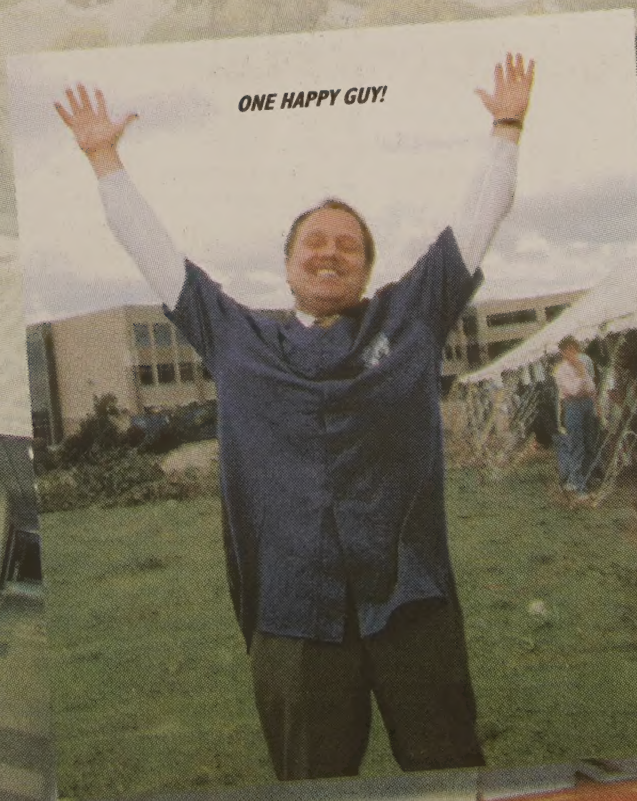
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24th 10 am to 3 pm JOIN US!



Just a few loose ends.



Delivering vital supplies.



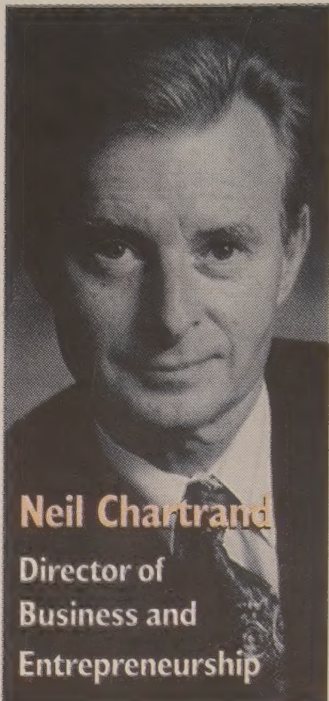
Orientation '98



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INTRODUCING



Neil Chartrand
Director of
Business and
Entrepreneurship

Niagara College is pleased to announce that Neil Chartrand is the new director, Business and En-

trepreneurship division at the Glendale campus, which opened this fall in Niagara-on-the-Lake. Chartrand has been associated with the School of Business at St. Clair College, Windsor for more than 25 years, most recently as dean, Business and Hospitality, and dean, Academic and Corporate Development.

Chartrand holds a MBA degree, University of Detroit; MA degree, Central Michigan University; BA degree, Detroit Institute of Technology; and a Dip.AA diploma in Business Administration and Accounting, St. Clair College. He is a skilled professional in post-secondary education and dedicated to being a member of a dynamic team that will position Niagara College as a bold and aggressive education leader on the local, provincial, national and international scene.

"Niagara College is a well established and respected institution in the Ontario college system," said Chartrand. "This reputation is well deserved. It has

been achieved through the recognized quality of its programs and staff." Chartrand was selected from more than 150 applicants from across Canada and beyond.

As director, Business and Entrepreneurship division, Chartrand will be responsible for post-secondary business programs at the Glendale campus and for the Centre for International Trade.

The Centre for International Trade supports the International Trade (Post-graduate) program and the Niagara Research Network, an innovative research and development service for export-oriented regional businesses.

"Neil comes to us with a wealth of experience and ideas that are an excellent match to Niagara Colleges' vision for its very bright future in business and entrepreneurship education," said Bonnie Rose, vice-president, Academic.

Business programs, under Chartrand's leadership, will be able to expand their community involvement in entrepreneurship and international projects from the new base of operations. The college's co-op programs currently provide businesses in Niagara with more than 100 student placements for eight months each year. ☐

90% of Our Graduates are Working!

Niagara College has established itself as a centre of excellence connecting our graduates to jobs. In a recent survey, measured six months after the June 1997 convocation, 90% of our graduates are employed.

The college conducts extensive labour market research to ensure that our programs are relevant to the regional economy and produce graduates employers want to hire. During their graduating year and after successful completion of their program, the college takes an active role in assisting students to find employment related to their academic studies. Janet Forfar, Consultant, Graduate Services, is dedicated to identifying employment opportunities for graduates from the college's 60 post-secondary and 12 post-graduate programs. Graduates are encouraged to register with Janet, who will forward copies of their resumes to appropriate employment opportunities. It's a classic win-win arrangement: graduates benefit from having their job search efforts enhanced by the college and employers are introduced to potential employees who are eager, enthusiastic and well trained.

Colleges are finally being given the recognition they so richly deserve. A recent poll conducted by Angus Reid and Ernst and Young indicates that respect for colleges is on the rise. The poll concluded that 35% of Ontarians believe that within ten years, a college diploma in a technical subject will have more impact than any other type of education. Education Minister, Dave Johnson, recently stated, "We have been served well by the college system because it trains people for the reality of the workplace". For more information about Graduate Services, please contact Janet Forfar at (905) 735-2211, Ext. 7787.

FIRST TIME EVER!

Business Administration Reunion Planned at Glendale Campus

OCTOBER 24 7:30 pm

A reunion of Niagara College Business Administration graduates will take place at the college's new Glendale campus on Saturday, October 24, 7:30 p.m. The reunion celebrates the 30-year anniversary of the business program and the college, and is the first time the division has hosted an alumni reunion. All graduates from business administration programs since 1967 are invited to attend, joining current and former professors and instructors.

"We have been able to contact about half of our grads, but are still looking for almost 1,000 grads," says Beth Schier-Pett, co-ordinator of the B.A. Marketing program at the college. "It's great timing and a perfect opportunity to get together. Our message to grads is an important one - if you haven't heard from us, please call our Grad Hotline at (905) 735-2211, extension 6494. People representing all years of the business administration programs are excited about the reunion and we hope we can get invitations out to everyone."

For more information, contact Beth Schier-Pett at (905) 641-2252, extension 4131. ☐

INTRODUCING

Ian Smith, co-ordinator, Geographic Information Systems (GIS)

Niagara College is pleased to introduce Ian Smith, co-ordinator of the Geographic Information Systems (GIS) program and professor in the Environmental Technician - Water Resources program at the Glendale Campus. He started his new position September 8. Prior to joining the college, Smith was manager, Environmental Monitoring and Analysis for the Region of Niagara.

Smith holds an Engineering Technology diploma, Mohawk College; Bachelor of Mathematics degree, specializing in Applied Math, University of Waterloo; and Environmental Assessment, post-graduate diploma, Lakehead University, Thunder Bay. He is working toward his Professional Engineering License (Environmental), University of Toronto; and Masters of Science, Groundwater Hydrogeology at Brock University.

From 1983 to 1985, Smith was part of a transportation planning team, Metropolitan Toronto Re-



gion, that worked on the dome stadium location and the Sheppard/Finch subway options. He was also transportation planning technologist, Region of Waterloo from 1985 to 1986 where he worked on the Toyota plant siting and environmental noise mitigation. In addition, Smith has been a part-time instructor at the college in various math, water resources and environmental courses.

Smith, as principal partner, operates Lydian Environmental, an environmental consulting company and Attema, Bis and Smith, an alternative pollution control technological design and creation company. His professional memberships include the International Association of Water Quality, Vinyl Advisory Council of Canada and Climate Advisory Council of Canada (Ontario Group). ☐



Niagara College President, Dan Patterson and Norstan VP Peter Stilson are definitely pleased to be partners

Videoconferencing Partnership Norstan Canada Inc. comes on board!

Niagara College and Norstan Canada Inc. of Toronto, a widely recognized provider of integrated voice, video, and related data communications solutions, have recently entered into a long-term and mutually beneficial Distance-Education Group Videoconferencing partnership. The college's Ventures division at the Glendale campus will oversee the use of the new videoconferencing resources and facilities rental in the Corporate Training Centre.

As part of Norstan's marketing and community service plans for 1998/99, Norstan is providing, free of charge to Niagara College, the use of a fully equipped PictureTel high performance group videoconferencing system with a value of approximately \$80,000 as well as a PictureTel SwiftSite with a value of ap-

proximately \$10,000 for renewable six month periods.

Developed in keeping with the college's corporate mission, "building enterprising skills and knowledge for the 21st century," the partnership promises to enhance the college's communication abilities, productivity, teaching diversity and learning opportunities. Niagara College is pleased to take part in this sophisticated undertaking which acknowledges the values of communication excellence, leading edge products, and an unequivocal commitment to customer service.

The videoconferencing facility will be located in the Corporate Training Centre in the Ventures Division at the Glendale Campus. At the new campus, Ventures has its own entrance and schedule of activities including breakout rooms, teleconfer-

encing facilities and kitchenette/dining room.

Corporate services provided by Ventures include:

- custom designed curriculum development
- testing and assessment
- career planning
- experts in government funding
- distance learning
- project management and administrative support
- conference/special events planning
- networked to provide province wide training
- partnership development
- labour adjustment
- labour market research. ☐



An invitation from Dr. Bonnie Rose

VICE-PRESIDENT, ACADEMIC

To all Program Advisory Committee Members

Please join us for the Community Open House

The opening of our Glendale campus, the new developments at the Welland campus, and all of the accomplishments and opportunities we will celebrate on October 24 and in the coming weeks have been achieved with enormous guidance and support from our Program Advisory Committees. You are the industry and community leaders that play a vital role in keeping the education and training we offer both current and relevant. The many hours of time you dedicate to helping us plan our curriculum, obtain industry support, and undertake new initiatives are one of the most important resources we have as a community college.

I hope that many of you will be able to join us on October 24, to help celebrate what you have helped make possible.

And by the way, do check out our Website (www.niagarac.on.ca). You will find a great deal of useful information about the college, our programs and current events to help keep our Advisory Committee members "In the Loop".

Bonnie Rose



COME CELEBRATE THE OPENING OF THE NEW GLENDALE CAMPUS!

- Demonstrations
- Tours
- Tastings
- Displays
- Lectures
- Viewings

RAFFLES, GIVEAWAYS AND ENTERTAINMENT

Glendale Campus, Glendale Ave at QEW Exit 38A

Saturday, October 24 • 10 am – 3 pm

The World May Forget Your Face



They Won't Forget Your Brick

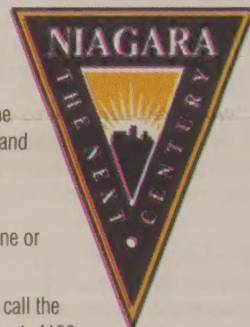
Niagara College is in the midst of unprecedented change.

Help us meet the challenges of the 21st century by supporting the Niagara College BRICK CAMPAIGN.

Every donor of \$100 or more will have a personally engraved interlocking paving stone installed in our Niagara: The Next Century Walkway. Walkways will be incorporated into the landscaping at both the new Glendale Campus and the Welland Campus and donors can select the campus location for their brick.

What a lasting testament in honour of a loved one or to thank the college for a job well done!

For more information or to make your donation call the Niagara College Foundation at (905) 641-2252 ext. 4103 or mail your cheque to the Niagara College Foundation, Niagara College, 135 Taylor Rd., RR 4, Niagara-on-the-Lake, ON L0S 1J0.



Niagara College Programs for 1998-99

MAID OF THE MIST CENTRE FOR HOSPITALITY AND TOURISM, Niagara Falls

POST-SECONDARY

- Culinary Management
- Hotel and Restaurant Management (Co-op)
- Tourism (Co-op)

WELLAND CAMPUS, Welland

POST-SECONDARY

- Art and Design Fundamentals - Graphic Design Production
- Broadcasting - Radio, Television and Film
- Call Centre Management
- Call Centre Service Representative
- Child and Youth Worker
- College Vocational
- College Vocational - Native option
- Computer Engineering Technology (Co-op)
- Computer Programmer

- Computer Programmer/Analyst (Co-op)
- Correctional Worker
- Construction Engineering Technology - Architecture
- Dental Assistant (Levels I and II)
- Dental Hygiene
- Dental Office Administration
- Early Childhood Education
- Educational Resources and Special Needs
- Electrical Engineering Technician
- Electrical Engineering Technology - Power Systems (Co-op)
- Electronics Engineering Technician
- Electronics Engineering Technology (Co-op)
- General Arts and Science (also at Glendale)
- Health Sciences Preparatory

- Human Relations
- Journalism - Print
- Law and Security Administration
- Legal Assistant (Co-op)
- Office Administration - Executive (Co-op)
- Office Administration - General
- Paramedic
- Pharmacy Assistant
- Police Foundations*
- Recreation and Leisure Services
- Social Service Worker

POST-GRADUATE

- Computer Network Operations
- Interactive Multimedia
- Microelectronics Manufacturing
- Public Relations
- Special Event Management - January Start

GLENDALE CAMPUS Niagara-on-the-Lake at the QEW

POST-SECONDARY

- Business - Accounting (Academic and Co-op)

- Business Administration - Accounting (Academic and Co-op)
- Business Administration - Human Resources (Co-op)
- Business Administration - Marketing (Co-op)
- Business Administration - Operations Management (Co-op)
- Business - Retail Management
- Business - Sales
- Environment, Health and Safety Co-ordinator (Co-op)
- Environmental Technician - Field and Laboratory (Co-op)
- Environmental Technician, Water Resources
- Horticultural Technician (Co-op)
- General Arts and Science (also at Welland)
- Landscape Technician (Co-op)
- Manufacturing Engineering Technician
- Manufacturing Engineering Technology (Co-op)
- Mechanical Engineering Technology (Co-op)

Quality Engineering Technician

POST-GRADUATE

- Ecosystem Restoration
- Environmental Assessment
- Environmental Management
- Geographic Information Systems
- International Trade

ACCESS AND COLLEGE PREP PROGRAMS

- English as a Second Language (ESL)

TECHNICAL AND SKILLS TRAINING

- Computerized Numerical Control (CNC) - Glendale
- Machine Shop - Glendale
- Toolmaking - Glendale
- Welding Fitter - Welland

Note: Post-graduate programs are for people who already have a college diploma, university degree or related career experience.

* Pending approval of the program by the Ministry of the Solicitor General.



We asked our grads what information they would like shared with other Niagara College alumni. Here's a selection of what we received. Send us your pictures, announcements and news...

If you are a grad and have news to share, dial-up our website at www.niagarac.on.ca and go to the alumni pages. From there you can e-mail us your information and we'll make sure that we share your news with your fellow grads. If you don't have e-mail you can send us your news via fax at 905-988-4323 or mail to The Niagara College Foundation, 135 Taylor Road, RR 4, Niagara-on-the-Lake, ON L0S 1J0.

1969

Martin Wagner is employed at Serpac Containers in Cambridge.

Social Welfare: **Allan Turner** is now on the faculty of State University of New York College at Fredonia in the Social Work Program.

1970

Business Administration-Marketing: **Clayton Dawdy** has fond memories of "sales & marketing", "ski", "newspaper" and "video club" activities and also playing cards with the gang during spares. He hopes to attend a reunion one of these days.

Electrical Engineering: **Alexander Talbot** is supervisor of the process control systems design and drafting group at Bayer Inc. in Samia.

1971

Business Administration - Accounting: **Robert Fraser** says that thanks to Niagara College and his teachers he is a successful businessperson today with London Life Insurance.

1972

Broadcasting - Radio, Television and Film: **Richard Hall** currently lives in Calgary and came back to Welland in the summer of 1997 for a visit. He noticed lots of improvements but says that a lot is still the same. He ended up buying a college t-shirt and wears it proudly.

1974

Business Administration - Operations Management: **Bruce Dear** is presently an inspector and x-ray technician with Ronal Canada. Since graduation he has worked at Pilkington Glass, Wabasso, Firestone and TRW.

1975

Horticultural Technician: **Kenneth Howe** is interested in how many grads from the Horticulture school are doing something different in their current job than what they were trained in at the College.

Mechanical Engineering: **Mark Moline** is currently the Plant Manager at the Chatham plant of Dana Canada. Previous to this he was the Engineering Manager at their Barrie plant.

Nursing: **Charlene Garton (Bell)** is interested in a 25th reunion in the year 2000 of the 1975 graduating class.

Jane Lalonde (Young) is interested in hearing from other grads from 1975.

1976

Business Administration-Operations Management: **John McIntosh** is now working at John Deere Welland Works **Computer Programmer:** **Deborah Kostialik** is the Senior Systems Analyst and Year 2000 Co-ordinator in the Corporate Information Systems Department for the Regional Municipality of Niagara.

Horticultural Technician: **Carol Harrod** is employed at McKenna Florist in Niagara Falls.

Interior Design: **Nancy McIntosh (Koruna)** opened her retail store, The McArt Co., in 1992 in Thorold which does original designs - t-shirts. She is also doing freelance logos and advertising.

Nursing: **Nancy Elizabeth Mitchell (Amadio)** is employed by Crawford THG Disability Management.

1976

Nursing: **Susan Carter** works as the Program Co-Ordinator for Dr. Alexander running the Optifast/Medical Weight Management Program. She also works part-time in industrial nursing.

1977

Business Administration - Human Relations: **Eleanor Young** has lived in B.C. for 19 years, has no children and is now working in accounting.

Nursing: **Catharine Brideau** is at the St. Catharines General Hospital and interested in various continuing education opportunities.

1978

Educational Resources and Special Needs: **Laila Dunlop** thinks that a 78 "ERT" grads reunion supper with faculty would be a great idea.

1979

Teresa L'Ecuyer (Greco) offers the following advice, "Hard work and ambition combined with education gets you a long way".

General College: **John Clark** would like to hear from fellow classmates.

Dental Assistant: **Carol Barr Overholt** is proud to be in education at the institute that started her teaching career. She is enjoying Co-ordinating the Dental Programs.

Health Records Technician - Margaret Penchoff is still single...after all these years!!!!

Office Administration - Executive: **Catherine Marcello** is now married to Dylan and has a 6 year old son. She is a homemaker and enjoys taking care of her son and volunteering at his school.

1980

Broadcasting - Radio, Television and Film: **Tammy Duncan** is working in her 12th year as a Niagara Regional Police Communications Operator and is proud to be a Radio and TV grad.

Business Administration - Data Processing: **David Muir** currently is a Project Director with Manulife Financial in Waterloo.

Business Administration - Human Resources: **Brenda Wolak** is employed as the Sales Manager at Marine Propulsion Equipment.

General Arts and Science: **John Clark** would like to hear from fellow classmates.

Theatre Arts: **Steven McKay** married **Karen Calderone** (Theatre Arts, 1982) in 1985. They now have a 12 year old son named Sean.

Tourism: **Wendy Nethercott** has 4 children and keeps busy with leading 4H and guides. She is a church superintendent, caretaker, home and school member, fundraiser and active volunteer at her children's public school. She is also a parts 'gofer' for her husband and bookkeeper.

1981

Business Administration - Accounting: **Angelo Armenti** is married with two children, ages 8 and 11.

Business Administration - Human Resources: **Diane Young** is currently CEO, HR Director for J. F. Young International Inc.

Health Records Technician: **Cindy Wood** is married with two children, ages 11 and 9. She works at the Welland County General Hospital where she was a Medical Records Technician and where, for the past 12 years, she is a Diagnostic Imaging Booking Clerk.

Horticultural Technician: **Holly Burbidge** is interested in hearing from her classmates. Please contact Foundation Office for her mailing information (905-641-2252 ext. 4100).

Peter Hendricksen has worked in the horticulture industry since 1974, is married to Lori and has three children named Elizabeth, Adam and Benjamin.

Journalism-Print: **Victoria Yurcic** enjoyed all of her courses that she took at the College and wishes to continue her education here in the future.

1982

Business Administration - Accounting: **Dwayne Romaniuk** married Mary Louise Ravazzolo (see Dental Assistant '87) on Sept. 25, 1993 and is the proud father of Raymond, born on Jan. 10, 1998.

Business Administration-Human Resources Management: **Paula Albano (Labricciosa)** worked as Assistant Manager in retail (82-84), and at CIBC in Welland and the Pen Centre (1984-93). She married her husband Barry in 1985 and is now a stay-at-home mom to Aaron (1), Lucas (7) and Sarah (5).

Health Record Technician: **Sheri Burke (Wells)** has been working at Norfolk General Hospital for the past 15 years and she would like to hear from other grads.

Hotel and Restaurant Administration: **Valerie Thompson** is working as a writer/researcher in Switzerland and is married with three children.

Theatre Arts: **Karen Calderone** (see Steven McKay, Theatre Arts 1980)

Michael Rathwell was the Nor Ontario Airline Manager of the local airport. He currently runs a computer cleaning service as well as a house decorating and interior design business.

1983

Computer Programmer: **Rebecca Sheppit** is currently an A+ computer technician and is studying towards MCSE (Microsoft Certified Software Engineer). She wants to return to the workforce after 9 years at home as a full-time mom.

Educational Resources and Special Needs: **Melanie Graham-Dalzell** is working for The Centre for Education and Training at the Peel Board of Education. She encourages other grads to call her if recruiting professional and high tech, skilled employees or if looking for someone who can facilitate a variety of workshops for corporations and trainers.

Graphic Arts: **Sylvana Armenti (Mignelli)** is married with 2 boys, ages 8 and 11.

Manufacturing Engineering: **James Lane** is a lab technician at Gencorp Vehicle Sealing.

1984

Early Childhood Education: **Mary Ellen Foster** became a Registered Nurse, working part-time, after her ECE career. She is married with 4 children and thinking about moving from Calgary to Red Deer, Alberta.

Health Science Preparatory: **Anita Ritter** is a Registered Nurse at the Hamilton Health Sciences Corporation in the Cardiac Program.

Information Systems: **Karen Freeman** has two children, Douglas, who is 3 1/2, and one-year-old Matthew. She is happily married to Dave Thorpe and is also working in the field in which she was educated as a Systems Engineer to EDS.

Mechanical Engineering: **Gennaro Palmieri** is the president of the alumni for his graduating class of 1984.

Tourism: **Nancy Riddick** has two children, Rebecca, age 6, and Andrew, age 4. Her husband, David, is a professor at the University of Toronto and she is a stay-at-home mom.

1985

Secretarial Arts: **Catherine Hall (Geary)** has lost contact with her classmates and would welcome calls from any of her friends.

1986

Assistant Cook: **Corrine Boudreau** has recently become engaged and is planning a wedding in August of the year 2000.

Broadcasting - Radio, Television and Film: **Thomas Hounsell** is happy and he hopes everyone else is too. Would love to hear from fellow grads. He is currently living in Toronto but is considering the vineyards of Niagara....

Business Administration - Human Resources Management: **Nelson Brown Sr.** encourages the college to keep up

the good work. "Quitters never win and winners never quit".

Business Administration - Marketing: **Joanne Lane** after graduation from Niagara, she attended the University of Alberta followed by Brock University where she completed a BA degree. For the past 8 years, she has been employed as a pharmaceutical representative with Bristol-Myers Squibb Canada.

Construction Engineering: **Kevin Hall** married **Catherine Geary** (Sec't Arts '85) in August 1988 and has a 4 year old son named Simon and a 2 year old daughter named Julia.

Health Records Technician: **Mary Chase** is employed with White Rose and is married with two sons, ages 10 and 7.

Hotel and Restaurant Management: **Tina Bailey (Coxon)** writes that since her year in Canada (85-86), she has worked with her parents who have a busy pub/restaurant in the beautiful Peak District of Derbyshire, England. She married in '93 and has 2 boys ages 4 years and 18 months. She would love to catch up on other grads from her year at the college.

Nursing: **Veronica Barany** wants to be kept informed about any future reunions. She'll be there!!

Tourism: **Susan Gemmell (Crocock)** currently works with the Festival Country Travel Association and was married in 1992 to Mark Gemmell. Has one son, born in 1994, named Billy.

Welding Engineering Technician: **Mark Hickey** owns and operates a successful disc jockey, sound & lighting rental and sales company in Thorold called Danse Musik.

1987

Dental Assistant: **Mary-Louise Ravazzolo** married Dwayne Romaniuk (see B.A. Accounting) on Sept. 25, 1993 and is now the proud mother of Raymond, born on Jan. 10, 1998.

Fashion Merchandising: **Tina Forster (McCorkindale)** has worked at Thompson Printing in Paris, Ontario for the past 10 years starting out as a Graphic Artist working on the Macintosh computer system. About three years ago she changed departments and is now a Print Production Co-Ordinator.

Office Administration: **Mara Mannella** worked for 5 years in a related field. She is currently at home raising young children and would like to return to work someday.

1988

Business Administration - Accounting: **Elaine Knipe** is working at the St. Joseph's Health Centre of London **Bernard Villamil** wants to know if anyone is interested in networking

Business Administration - Human Resources: **Marise Philip** is Manager, Human Resources with the Hamilton Regional Cancer Centre and is interested in getting in touch with her former classmates.

Nursing: **Joyce Rankin** graduated with her BScN in 1997 with honors. She is enrolled in the U of T masters in nursing program and presently working in critical care at Mount Sinai Hospital

Toolmaking: **Susan Kyle** is the Co-ordinator of the Women into Trades and Technology Program at Niagara College

1989

Broadcasting - Radio, Television and Film: **Scott Merritt** is Publicity Co-ordinator for Centre for the Arts, Brock University and continues doing freelance voice work.

Dental Assistant: **Margaret Lepere (Walsh)** received her Associate in Applied Science Degree in Dental Hygiene at ECC/SUNY.

Charlene Ruth Napolitano (Biega) is an Instructor in the Dental Program at St. Clair College in Windsor.

Early Childhood Education: **Jean Pizzati** would love to hear from the other ECE grads of 1989.

Health Records Technician: **Patricia Crockett-Banks** spent 5 years as a

primary counsellor in a group home supporting adults with developmental disabilities in Simcoe, Ontario. The last three years have been devoted to guiding and loving her daughters Amber and Madison. More recently she has been volunteering with the Nobodies Perfect Program through the local health unit and looks forward to seeing fellow grads in October.

Christina Bos (Bruinsma) was married on April 27, 1991 and has three children: Andrew (10/2/92), Erica (6/14/94) and Kendra (12/11/96) and the fourth one is one the way (was due 8/10/98).

Industrial Engineering: **Guy Iapichino** would love to know what's happening with the grads of '89. How many are in the quality assurance sector?

Law & Security: **Elizabeth Minchin** after completing the program, she worked for a customs brokerage company for 12 years. She is now at Casino Niagara, where she has been employed since opening day.

Mechanical Engineering: **Christopher Ridley** is a tool and die maker with General Motors. Having been a Mechanical Engineering grad has helped him a lot in understanding mechanical concepts in his current trade.

1990

Business Administration - Human Resources: **Greg Alderton** is the Senior Supervisor at the A&P Distribution Centre and is married with 2 children.

Business Administration - Marketing: **Warren Currell** is married with a son and living in Toronto working for a software company as a Product Manager.

Computer Programmer: **Susan Gerow** is working at Niagara College in Continuing Education

Educational Resources and Special Needs: **Angela Leahy** does career counselling for the Business Education Council for the District School Board of Niagara.

Home Support: **Karen Caplan** says that even when you find it is difficult to find employment, don't give up. Keep a positive attitude.

Hotel and Restaurant Management: **Cindy Knaus (Davidson)** is the General Manager of the Comfort Inn in Brantford.

Information Systems: **Daryl Hoffman** offers congratulations to Niagara College on the expansion and entry into the 21st century!

1991

Business Administration - Operations: **Tina Christensen** is currently the Master Scheduler with MAC Cosmetics Ltd. in Toronto and has no children, but a steady boyfriend.

1992

Business Administration - Accounting: **Ronald Potter** is coaching minor hockey and baseball in Niagara Falls and is very active in the Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 51.

Business Administration - Human Resources: **Nancy Webb** works in the Human Resources Department at Genpharm Inc in Etobicoke (a pharmaceutical company).

Broadcasting - Radio, Television and Film: **Tammy McMullen** has worked as a television news editor at CTV for the past 6 years. She works with several other grads of the program from various years and enjoys hearing about college happenings.

Hospital Orderly: **Robert Rae** has worked for the past 6 years at the Freeport Hospital as an aide/orderly.

Interior Design: **Elizabeth Fordham** is currently the Store Manager of the Pendale Fabricland Store.

Nursing Assistant: **Sharon Webb** is interested in obtaining information on the job placement rate and areas where placement occurred upon graduation. She is also interested in Niagara College meeting the employment needs of the community and that there should be forecasting done to determine these needs.

1993

Ambulance and Emergency Care: Viktor Burany is a police constable with the Amherstburg Police Service and is a volunteer with AA&M Volunteer Ambulance.

David Seeley has worked for Hanover Ambulance since April, 1994 and started with Durham Ambulance in April, 1997. He and his wife Betty have a daughter named Emily who was born on Dec. 29, 1997.

Assistant Cook: Tarrah Laidman-Lodboa is currently the pastry chef at a well-known Niagara restaurant.

Early Childhood Education: Jennifer O'Grady (Murr) is married with one daughter and runs a daycare centre out of her home.

Educational Resource and Special Needs: Nicki Sabourin is a support worker with developmentally disabled children and adults at the Sudbury Community Service Centre. She has a 2 year old son named Logan.

Home Support: Marg Berry says that learning is an on-going journey, that you are never too old to store and use knowledge and that her children may attend Niagara College.

International Trade: Bruce Daigle wishes all alumni success in finding a job in their field.

Law and Security: Marie Cook has worked for Grand River RV Resort for

two years where she started in security but is presently working in the store and restaurant overseeing daily routines.

1994

Michele McDonald (Manjin) is the Store Manager of Northern Reflections in Stratford.

Cook II Apprenticeship (Assistant Cook): Frederick Thurlby went on to become the Sous Chef at Mangia Mangia in St. Catharines and then Executive Chef. He opened Sam Bucas (Executive Chef). He then moved on to be Executive Sous Chef at Ramada Parkway Inn.

Health Sciences Preparatory: Susan Merritt is currently doing her co-op semester in the Horticultural Technician (Co-op) program at Niagara and is enjoying it.

Home Support: Sheila Hodgins recently opened Nifty Nook Used Goods and Crafts on King St. in St. Catharines.

Horticultural Technician: Donelda Dobie has built up her own small business in property management. She employs 2 full-time seasonal employees, is happy and healthy and living in Muskoka "God's Country".

Tool and Die: Debbie Runciman got her job at Extencare Skilled Nursing Home through an apprenticeship as a building maintenance mechanic. She was hired a few months after her

YWCA sponsored apprenticeship was completed.

1995

Linda Pecman offers the following advice, "Upgrading = Invaluable"

College Vocational: James Dyck works for Bermuda Islands Inc. and advises that, "if you want something bad enough, you will get it, only if you work hard at it and go-go-go for it because more will follow."

Computer Engineering: Keith Hawkins would like to receive e-mail from fellow grads. His address is keithh@globalserve.net.

Construction Engineering: Wade Feere is interested in seeing a page dedicated to e-mail addresses of former students. Editor's Note: Wade you should check out the Bulletin Board on the college's web site alumni pages at www.niagarac.on.ca/alumni.

Health Sciences Preparatory: Michelle Grimme is a graduate of the RN program and consolidated at St. Catharines General Hospital in Labour and Delivery - and through that she has a job! Thanks Niagara College!

Industrial Engineering: Norm Crawford worked at General Motors after graduation as a Production Supervisor. He is now employed at Edscha of Canada as a Production Supervisor.

Interior Design: Pam Cook started a

design business with former instructor Justin Gill. They are growing and successful!! She currently owns Gifted Presence at 80 King St. (the Corbloc) in St. Catharines.

Electronics Engineering: Ennis Wolfe is employed at Bazaar and Novelty for almost two years. He is getting married on May 29, 1999 and is still a volunteer firefighter in Lowbanks.

1996

Ambulance and Emergency Care: Tim Stillson is now a full-time paramedic, two years strong! He is working towards a future goal of being a critical care flight medic with 799 or 798 out of Toronto.

Business Administration: Diana Dosen is currently working as a laboratory technician for a large environmental company responsible for the safe treatment and disposal of hazardous wastes.

Business Administration - Human Resources: Amber Strom (Stahlschmidt) was married in August of 1997, following which both she and her husband Michael moved to Calgary, Alberta. Amber is currently working as an Office Manager at an alternative medicine clinic.

Business Administration - Operations Management: Mark Hopley is currently employed at Fleet Aerospace.

Journalism - Print: Sarah Murrell is successful in her field and has won a provincial award. She says that Niagara grads are successful!

Pauline Postill received her Business Endorsement Certificate in June, 1998 upon successful completion of eight business credits. She is currently looking for employment in that area.

Office Administration: Linda Thompson is enjoying her job at the Salvation Army and using her skills.

Roll Grinder: Ratko Rasula is currently employed at Dofasco in Hamilton.

Small Business: Siv Petterson thoroughly enjoyed the courses taken at Niagara College, and gained many valuable skills. She is now continuing studies at Brock and managed to get some university credits for the courses taken at Niagara.

Visual and Creative Arts: Lisa Costiff says that 'no matter what anyone else tells you, follow your heart/mind.'

1997

Cook Apprenticeship: Lynnette Juhasz says that a chef once told her that she should think about teaching. She laughed and said "Never!" But she now finds herself doing it on a daily basis at work at The Upper Deck Restaurant. I guess he was right!

A PERSPECTIVE on Niagara's International Work 1997/98



Dan Patterson and George Repar in Thailand in the early stages of the joint project



**Submitted by
Marti Jurmain
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Niagara College has been very active on the international scene in recent years in a variety of ways.

We have been active and successful in delivering projects and handling consulting work in other countries, sponsored by the individual country itself or one of several large monetary funds supporting international development.

For three weeks in late October and early November, 1997, I traveled to Hungary as part of a Canadian consulting project to assist the Hungarian post-secondary education system develop consortia between educational/training institutions to begin to fashion a college-like system of education. Hungary has entered the post-communist world of market economies very rapidly following the Communist withdrawal in 1991. There are many champions of change in Hungary, but many who would prefer the former state-directed way of living, working, and learning. My individual work as a consultant for the development of a consortium in Debrecen proved successful during the time I was there; real success comes during the time when the consultant is not there, and is proven over time. My Hungarian colleagues spoke little English; working with translators is both fascinating and frustrating, and requires all of your senses at full alert.

In fact, a general reality of international work is that your senses are almost always on full alert. Both business activities and "social" activities require that the foreigner is always watching to learn proper protocols. Good research before the journey is helpful, but it can really only prepare you to avoid making serious protocol mistakes, such as eating with your left hand in some countries, or dressing improperly in others. Nothing can really prepare you for the real work of business in other cultures until you are there.

However, if you sharpen your senses, watch your hosts and colleagues to see what they do, and genuinely like the country and its people, you will be forgiven many "faux pas".

In February, 1998, I traveled to Thailand with two colleagues from Brock University to "wrap up" a project in Thailand which our two institutions had been involved in for four years. We had built a strong and personal relationship with our Thai colleagues over those years, and our evaluation work was friendly

and enjoyable, but also emotional, as colleagues who had become friends recognized that a phase of our relationship was coming to an end. There were many hugs and tears, and Thais do not usually hug foreigners.

Thailand is a beautiful, gentle country, with a strong Buddhist faith and a strong popular support for the monarchy. They are warm and generous, and could teach many Westerners about high quality customer service. Nevertheless, as a woman, I recognize that women are not equal in Thai society, and the protocols I followed were frequently different from those of my male Canadian colleagues. For example, while I struggled with nylons and full business suits in a very hot climate, my male colleagues could, occasionally, dress more casually. As well, Thais consider their colleagues from abroad as guests in their country, and social activities such as lunches and dinners were normal - in fact, it was usually impossible to avoid such activities, despite the amount of work waiting to be done.

Hungary and Thailand represented two examples of contract work in another country. Niagara College also recruits international students to come to Niagara to study in a number of countries, on a regular schedule each year. These recruiting missions are also used to further contract initiatives or seek out new partners or new opportunities, thus making the most efficient use of a recruiting venture.

In late February, 1998, I took part in the Canadian Education Fairs, hosted by the Canadian Education Centres, in Malaysia and Brunei. Niagara College had previously never had students from either country, and I am pleased to say that we have welcomed our first students from these countries this fall. Malaysia is a dynamic, vibrant country, with a well-established college and university system, and long-standing international linkages, mainly with Australia, the United Kingdom, and the United States. Canada is the "new kid on the block". However, with the Canadian dollar making Canada a very competitive player on the student recruitment scene in South East Asia, and Malaysia holds good promise for Niagara.

Representing your college at an Education Fair is exhausting work. As Niagara sends only one representative to each of the Education Fairs it selects annually in order to maximize

resources (human and dollar), that one representative is almost frantically busy throughout the fair. The Malaysian fair in Kuala Lumpur was held over two days of constant student inquiries and interest.

Parents often accompanied their young people, and English language ability was quite mixed. Once the day's activities were over, my Canadian colleagues would enjoy the networking among ourselves that proves invaluable. It is important for all of our educational institutions recruiting students abroad that we see ourselves as colleagues, not competitors - if we increase the profile of Canada in the countries we visit, we all benefit. What other countries know about Canada is invariably positive, but they often know very little, and education fairs provide opportunities to raise our profile substantially.

In early March, at the end of the education fair, I traveled to Indonesia as follow-up to a project from the fall, during which a group of 20 Indonesian high school administrators trained at Niagara College, in hospitality and tourism. I thoroughly enjoyed meeting my friends from the fall in their country, and began exploring other initiatives Niagara could pursue in Indonesia. However, by winter, 1998, Indonesia was in the grip of a serious economic crisis that has resulted in the resignation of its President, and general political and social turmoil. Our work in Indonesia is awaiting some return to stability.

Finally, in summer 1998, in a joint Brock U-Niagara College venture, I traveled to Thailand for ten days to prepare a new project submission for work in Thailand, to be presented this fall to CIDA (Canadian International Development Agency).

Niagara College is well respected among our funding agencies for international contract work. It is also well-respected for the services and quality of education it provides to individual international students, who make substantial financial and personal commitments to study with us in Niagara. For those of us at the college who work in the international field, it is a "labour of love", and the warm greetings of students or colleagues at home and abroad quickly erase memories of airport lineups, cramped airplane seats, and street signs impossible to decipher. ☺



Niagara Knights Hall of Fame

The Niagara College athletic department established the Niagara Knights Hall of Fame which officially opened April 1, 1998. In the past 30 years, 6,500 student athletes have worn the Knights uniform. More than 40 coaches and many volunteers have guided these students and assisted the college's athletic depart-

ment in providing the best programs possible. Nominations for inductees are invited in two classifications. The *athlete* classification includes those who have been involved actively as players or participants in sport or athletic activities at the intercollegiate level. The *builder* classification recognizes

individuals who have contributed to the growth and development of athletics at the college. It includes coaches, administrators, friends and supporters of athletic programs at Niagara College. For further information, or a nomination form, contact Ray Sarkis, Athletics Department, ext. 7583.

NIAGARA KNIGHTS HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES 1998



Peter Rylander (Builder) 1969 - 1996
Rylander, born in St. Lambert, Quebec, began his career with Niagara College in September, 1969 as athletic assistant. In 1970, he was promoted to co-ordinator of athletics and became the guiding force in Niagara College athletics and the

OCAA. In his 27 successful years at Niagara, the Knights won 19 OCAA championships, four nationals and five ICHL championships. His accomplishments also included coaching numerous championship varsity teams. Rylander was honoured by the OCAA with the Service Shield Award following his retirement. As a member of the OCAA, he served on many committees including treasurer from 1973 to 1975, president from 1983 to 1985, past-president from 1985 to 1987, and CCAA secretary from 1987 to 1989.



Ed Zanetti (Builder) 1967 - 1996
Zanetti, a Welland native, began his career with Niagara College in 1967 as a member of the School of Business faculty. In 1968, he was instrumental in establishing the athletic program. As Niagara's first hockey coach, he went on to a winning season in 1968 to 1969. Zanetti remained as an assistant hockey coach for several years and continued as an avid supporter of Niagara athletics by becoming the play-by-play announcer for college hockey games. He also helped to establish the Knights Hockey Alumni Association. He was presented with the Recognition of Service Award in 1990, and the Recognition of Television Production Award in 1992.

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Ed Luciw 1968 - 1972
Luciw, born in Welland, brought many leadership qualities to the men's basketball team, and his outstanding character and dedication set the standard for many other players. He led the team to division titles in 1968 and 1970, and was named Most Valuable Player on the team from 1969 to 1972. Luciw earned the Male Athlete of the Year award, the greatest athletic honour, for 1970 to 1971.



Lois (Lamb) Madden 1968 - 1970
Madden, a native of Niagara Falls, was the original women's leader in athletics at Niagara College by demanding equal funding for women's intercollegiate activities. Her dedication, excellence in basketball and volleyball, and good academic standing made her a student leader.

Madden led the women's basketball and volleyball teams to three OCAA championships. In 1968 to 1969, they won the basketball championship and in 1969 to 1970, Madden captained the basketball and volleyball teams to OCAA championships. She was voted Most Valuable Player on the basketball team for 1969 to 1970.



Tom Peat 1983 - 1987
Peat was born in St. Catharines and was one of Niagara's most accomplished athletes. He and teammate Mark Nelson were the first ever to win three consecutive CCAA national badminton titles from 1984 to 1987. Peat's other accomplishments

include four OCAA and West Regional titles from 1983 to 1987, the Western Ontario Junior Championship, three Eastern U.S.A. Junior Double titles and the OFSSA Doubles Championship. He was also a three time Co-Athlete of the Year from 1984 to 1986, three-time All Canadian from 1985 to 1987, an OCAA Athlete of the Week, and received the Niagara College Award of Excellence.



Mark Nelson 1983 - 1987
Nelson, a native of Niagara Falls, was one of Niagara's highest athletic achievers. He and teammate Tom Peat were the first Niagara athletes to win three consecutive National Badminton titles from 1984-87. His other accomplishments include:

four OCAA and West Regional titles from 1983-87; three Co-Athlete of the Year Awards from 1984-86; three-time All Canadian from 1985-87; OCAA Athlete of the Week; Niagara College Award of Excellence; Western Ontario Men's A doubles champion; Eastern U.S. singles and men's doubles champion; OFSSA men's doubles champion; two OCAA West Regional tennis titles; and was inducted into the Niagara Falls Wall of Fame in 1990. ☐

NIAGARA KNIGHTS 1998 - 1999 HOME VARSITY SCHEDULE

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Sat. Oct. 17	Sheridan College at Niagara (Ex.)	2:00 p.m.
Fri. Oct. 23	Seneca College at Niagara (Ex.)	6:30 p.m.
Thu. Nov. 19	Redeemer College at Niagara	8:30 p.m.
Fri. Nov. 27	Lambton College at Niagara	8:30 p.m.
Sat. Nov. 28	Niagara County Comm. College (Ex.)	3:00 p.m.
Thu. Dec. 10	Medaille College at Niagara (Ex.)	8:00 p.m.
Tue. Jan. 26	Mohawk College at Niagara	8:30 p.m.
Fri. Jan. 19	St. Clair College at Niagara	8:30 p.m.
Fri. Feb. 26	Fanshawe College at Niagara	8:30 p.m.
Fri. Sat. or Sun. Mar. 5, 6, or 7	OCAA Quarter Finals	TBA
Thu. - Sat. Mar. 11 - 13	OCAA Championships at Mohawk College, Hamilton	TBA
Thu. - Sat. Mar. 18 - 20	CCAA Championships at Grant MacEwan College, Alberta	TBA

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Fri. Nov. 6	George Brown College at Niagara	6:30 p.m.
Sat. Nov. 7	Mercyhurst College at Niagara (Ex.)	2:00 p.m.
Thu. Nov. 19	Redeemer College at Niagara	6:30 p.m.
Sat. Nov. 28	Niagara County Comm. College at Niagara (Ex.)	1:00 p.m.
Fri. Dec. 4	Durham College at Niagara	6:30 p.m.
Thu. Dec. 10	Medaille College at Niagara (Ex.)	6:00 p.m.
Sat. Jan. 16	Humber College at Niagara	6:30 p.m.
Tue. Jan. 26	Mohawk College at Niagara	6:30 p.m.
Fri. Jan. 29	Seneca College at Niagara	6:30 p.m.
Fri. Feb. 19	Georgian College at Niagara	6:30 p.m.
Fri. Feb. 26	Fanshawe College at Niagara	6:30 p.m.
Fri. - Sun. Mar. 5 - 7	OCAA Quarter Finals at Location TBA	TBA
Fri. & Sat. Mar. 12 & 13	OCAA Championships at Durham College, Oshawa	TBA
Thu. - Sat. Mar. 18 - 20	CCAA Championships at College TBA, Alberta	TBA

MEN'S VOLLEYBALL

Sat. Oct. 3	High School Senior Boys Volleyball Invitational at Niagara	TBA
Fri. Oct. 23	D'Youville College at Niagara (Ex.)	8:30 p.m.
Fri. Nov. 13	Mohawk College at Niagara	8:30 p.m.
Sat. Nov. 14	Mercyhurst at Niagara (Ex.)	2:00 p.m.
Fri. Dec. 11	Seneca College at Niagara	8:30 p.m.
Fri. Jan. 15	Redeemer College at Niagara	8:30 p.m.
Sat. Jan. 16	OCAA ALL-STAR Game at Niagara	TBA
Sat. Jan. 23	Sheridan College at Niagara	2:00 p.m.
Sat. Jan. 30	Cambrian College at Niagara	3:00 p.m.
Fri. Feb. 5	Humber College at Niagara	8:30 p.m.
Fri. Feb. 12	Georgian College at Niagara	8:30 p.m.
Sat. Sun. or Mon. Feb. 20, 21 or 22	OCAA Quarter Finals at Location TBA	TBA
Thu. - Fri. Feb. 25 - 27	OCAA Championships at Algonquin College, Ottawa	TBA
Thu. - Sat. Mar. 4 - 6	CAA Championships at Grand Prairie College, Alberta	TBA

WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL

Thu. Oct. 1	Niagara County Comm. College at Niagara (Ex.)	8:30 p.m.
Tues. Nov. 3	Genesee Community College at Niagara (Ex.)	8:00 p.m.
Fri. Nov. 13	Mohawk College at Niagara	6:30 p.m.
Fri. Nov. 27	Confederation College at Niagara	6:30 p.m.
Sun. Nov. 29	Confederation College at Niagara	12:00
Fri. Jan. 15	Redeemer College at Niagara	6:30 p.m.
Sat. Jan. 16	OCAA ALL-STAR GAME at Niagara	TBA
Fri. Jan. 22	St. Clair College at Niagara	6:30 p.m.
Wed. Feb. 17	Lambton College at Niagara	8:00 p.m.
Sat. Sun. or Mon. Feb. 20, 21 or 22	OCAA Quarter Finals at Niagara	TBA
Thu. - Sat. Feb. 25 - 27	OCAA Championships at Algonquin College, Ottawa	TBA
Thu. - Sat. Mar. 4 - 6	CCAA Championships at Sherbrooke College, Quebec	TBA

ATTENTION Niagara College Alumni

We are examining how the college can better serve our alumni. Your input is critical in order for us to plan programs and services that meet your needs as well as the college's. Please take a few minutes to complete the following survey and return it either by fax or mail (see address and fax numbers below).

WE'D LIKE TO HEAR FROM YOU...

If you were to receive an alumni newsletter or publications like NCOMPASS, which of the following topics would you want to read about? (check all that apply)

- ☐ College news
- ☐ Trends in higher education
- ☐ Brief updates on other grads
- ☐ Alumni news, features and events
- ☐ Features about faculty and staff
- ☐ Features about students
- ☐ Program news
- ☐ Sports news
- ☐ Information about continuing education training opportunities
- ☐ Fund-raising special event info
- ☐ Other (specify) _____

WE'D LIKE TO KNOW...

Which of the following programs should Niagara College Alumni Services be providing? (check all that apply)

- ☐ Reunions
- ☐ Alumni Clubs (by program)
- ☐ Alumni Clubs (by geographic area)
- ☐ Group Insurance (home, auto, health)
- ☐ Affinity Programs (discounts on long distance, hotel and car rental, etc.)
- ☐ Travel/Charters/Outings/Social Events for alumni
- ☐ Merchandizing alumni-related items (convocation frames, sweatshirts, caps, etc.)
- ☐ Activities involving students
- ☐ Opportunities to promote your business in college publications (for a nominal fee)

HELP US TO SERVE YOU BETTER....

We are looking at ways that the college could help the alumni. Which of the following programs/services/activities would you like departments within Niagara College to offer its alumni? (check all that apply)

- ☐ Enabling alumni to serve as career counselling volunteers (speaking to student groups)
- ☐ Establishing mentoring opportunities for students (one-on-one)
- ☐ Providing seminars on professional issues

- ☐ Library privileges
- ☐ Newsletter/Publication
- ☐ Special continuing education privileges
- ☐ Other _____

What courses/programs/services would you like the College to offer through Continuing Education?

WOULD YOU LIKE TO HELP?

We are looking at ways that our alumni could help the college. Please identify your level of interest in offering the following assistance to the college. (check all that apply)

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|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Very Interested | Interested | Not Interested |
| ☐ | ☐ | ☐ |
| Referring job openings in your company to student Employment Services | | |
| ☐ | ☐ | ☐ |
| Assisting the College as an advocate or liaison with public officials | | |
| ☐ | ☐ | ☐ |
| Securing equipment donations for College programs | | |
| ☐ | ☐ | ☐ |
| Securing scholarships or bursaries for College programs | | |
| ☐ | ☐ | ☐ |
| Serving as a Niagara College advocate within your company | | |
| ☐ | ☐ | ☐ |

Very Interested Interested Not Interested

Representing the alumni at various college-related ceremonies

Telephoning other alumni to solicit donations for scholarships and bursaries

Assisting our Liaison Office with student recruitment

Speaking to high school students about Niagara College

Becoming a mentor to a student

Volunteering for a Program Advisory Committee

If you are interested please let us know which program:

Participating in panel discussions for students around workplace and job search issues

Offering co-op, unpaid work placement or 'internship' opportunities for our students.

If you are interested in this activity please let us know the program areas in which you could provide opportunities

PLEASE SHARE YOUR IDEAS

Have you comments or suggestions that might help us in planning Niagara College alumni services?

LET US KNOW WHO YOU ARE...

We would be able to follow-up with you on the information that you have provided above. We also want to make sure that we have accurate information about you in our alumni database.

(please print your information:)

Name: _____

Prev/Maiden Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

Postal Code: _____

Telephone: (home) _____

(work) _____

E-mail _____

Employer: _____

Are you self-employed? _____

If so, number of employees _____

Program: _____

Year Graduated: _____

Pursuant to Section 41(a) of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, I consent for use of the above information about me for the purpose of alumni-related activities.

Signature _____

Please fax completed form to the Niagara College Foundation at (905) 988-4323, or mail to: Niagara College Foundation, 135 Taylor Rd., RR #4, Niagara-on-the-Lake, ON L0S 1J0

THANK YOU!